

Star Alliance Announces Corporate Travel Deal with ChevronTexaco

FRANKFURT November 17, 2004 Star Alliance, the airline network for Earth", has signed a five-year corporate travel agreement with Chevron USA, Inc., a unit of ChevronTexaco Corp. that will help the multinational company improve the efficiency of its travel management and substantially reduce its annual travel bill.

We've had three years of experience in simplifying the procurement of corporate travel for qualified corporate clients by giving them one point of contact, one agreement and one report, all of which are part of Star Alliance Corporate Plus, explained Jaan Albrecht CEO, Star Alliance. We are thrilled to have ChevronTexaco on board.

With Star Alliance Corporate Plus, qualified corporations or their travel management firms can contact the sales teams of any Star Alliance member carrier to work out a plan that takes advantage of the alliance's collective network and service benefits and allows them to book and manage corporate travel seamlessly.

Albrecht said a single Star Alliance corporate travel agreement offers greater flexibility and access to a wider range of benefits for corporate travellers including the ability to earn and redeem frequent flyer miles or points on member airlines, flexible fare structures and prices and priority service for Star Alliance Gold Members in reservations, baggage and check-in, standby and boarding procedures.

Lufthansa's relationship with Chevron Texaco has for a long time been based on trust, mutual benefits and close ties. We are glad to have been able to convert this sound bilateral relationship into a truly global one now, says Wolfgang Schmidt, V.P., Corporate Key Accounts, Lufthansa.

The Star Alliance network was a strong fit for the international travel of our 50,000 employees in 180 countries, and their need for reliability, safety and service, said Helmut F. Porkert, Chief Procurement Officer at ChevronTexaco.

About Star Alliance

Star Alliance was established in 1997 as the first truly global airline alliance to offer customers global reach and a smooth travel experience. The members are Air Canada, Air New Zealand, ANA, Asiana Airlines, Austrian, bmi, LOT Polish Airlines, Lufthansa, Scandinavian Airlines, Singapore Airlines, Spanair, Thai Airways International, United, US Airways and VARIG Brazilian Airlines. South African Airways and TAP Air Portugal are scheduled to join the alliance in 2005. Overall, the member carriers offer more than 14,000 daily flights to 772

destinations in 133 countries.

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